

THE ORDER FOR THE CONSECRATION  
OF  
**The Reverend Oliver James Hart, D.D., LL.D.**  
AS BISHOP COADJUTOR  
OF  
THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA

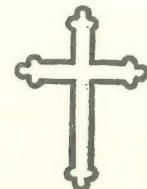


AT THE MEMORIAL CHURCH OF THE ADVOCATE  
IN PHILADELPHIA  
AT 10.30 A. M.  
ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER THE SIXTEENTH  
ANNO DOMINI MCMXLII

THE SERVICE FOR THE CONSECRATION OF

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MEMORANDA

It is suggested that, owing to the length of the Service and inasmuch as earlier opportunity has been provided in the Parish Churches and Missions, only the Bishops, the family of Bishop Hart, and those taking official part in the Consecration shall receive The Holy Communion at this time.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Chapel at 9 o'clock by the Rev. Thomas Leslie Gossling, Rector.

The Congregation is requested not to leave the Church until the Service has concluded and the Choir has withdrawn.

The Offering will be for General Missions.

The newly consecrated Bishop and the officiating Bishops will not be accessible at the close of the Service, until after the signing and sealing of the Letter of Consecration.

Buffet luncheon will be served at 1.30 P. M., Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th and Chestnut Streets.

In the afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in the Church House, 202 South 19th Street, an informal reception will be tendered Bishop and Mrs. Hart, to which everyone is invited.

# The Order of the Procession

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Crucifer  
Flag Bearers  
The Choir of St. Peter's Church—Philadelphia  
Marshal: Mr. McCarthy  
Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders  
Students of the Divinity School in Philadelphia  
Crucifer  
Marshals { Mr. Lippincott  
Rev. Mr. Kolb  
The Ministers of Other Communions  
The Clergy of the Eastern-Orthodox, etc.  
Crucifer  
Marshals { Rev. Mr. Kolb  
Rev. Mr. Loane  
The Clergy of Other Dioceses  
The Clergy of the Diocese of Pennsylvania  
Assistant Master of Ceremonies  
The Faculty of the Divinity School  
Deans of Seminaries  
The Cathedral Chapter  
The Officers of the Diocese of Pennsylvania  
The Standing Committee  
Crucifer  
The Master of Ceremonies  
Bishops of Eastern Orthodox Churches  
Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church  
The Attending Presbyters  
Bishop Coadjutor-elect  
The Presenting Bishops  
The Right Reverend the Preacher  
The Co-Consecrators  
Chaplains to the Presiding Bishop  
The Presiding Bishop

THE PRESIDING BISHOP  
The Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, LL.D.

## THE CO-CONSECRATORS

The Rt. Rev. Francis M. Taitt, Litt.D.  
The Rt. Rev. James E. Freeman, D.L.

## THE GOSPELLER

The Rt. Rev. James M. Maxon, LL.D.

## THE EPISTOLLER

The Rt. Rev. William T. Capers, D.D.

## THE PREACHER

The Rt. Rev. Henry K. Sherrill, LL.D.

## THE LITANY

The Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, LL.D.

## THE PRESENTING BISHOPS

The Rt. Rev. Richard A. Kirchhoffer, D.D.  
The Rt. Rev. Goodrich R. Fenner, S.T.D.

## THE ATTENDING PRESBYTERS

The Rev. S. Tagart Steele, Jr., D.D.  
The Rev. Frank Williamson, Jr.

## THE REGISTRAR

The Rev. John H. Fitzgerald

## CHAPLAINS TO PRESIDING BISHOP

The Rev. E. Felix Kloman  
The Rev. Frederick W. Blatz

## *Processionals*

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### THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES

The Rev. Charles Henry Long

### THE ASSISTANT MASTER OF CEREMONIES

The Rev. T. Leslie Gossling

### APPOINTED TO READ THE TESTIMONIALS

Consent of Diocesan Bishop, the Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, D.D.

Evidence of Election, the Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D.

Evidence of Ordination, the Rev. George A. Trowbridge

Testimonial of Election, the Rev. Francis C. Hartshorne, D.C.L.

Consent of Standing Committees, Samuel F. Houston, LL.D.

Consent of Bishops, the Rt. Rev. John D. Wing, LL.D.

HOLY, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:  
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy Name,  
in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity. *Amen.*

**R**EJOICE, ye pure in heart!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high,  
The cross of Christ your King!

Bright youth and snow-crowned age,  
Strong men and maidens meek:  
Raise high your free, exulting song!  
God's wondrous praises speak!

With all the angel choirs,  
With all the saints of earth,  
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss,  
True rapture, noblest mirth!

Your clear hosannas raise,  
And alleluias loud!  
Whilst answering echoes upward float,  
Like wreaths of incense cloud.

Yes, on through life's long path!  
Still chanting as ye go;  
From youth to age, by night and day,  
In gladness and in woe.

Still lift your standard high!  
Still march in firm array!  
As warriors through the darkness toil,  
Till dawns the golden day!

At last the march shall end;  
The wearied ones shall rest;  
The pilgrims find their Father's house,  
Jerusalem the blest.

Then on, ye pure in heart!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high,  
The cross of Christ your King! *Amen.*

**O**NCE to every man and nation  
Comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood,  
For the good or evil side;  
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,  
Offering each the bloom or blight,  
And the choice goes by for ever  
"Twixt that darkness and that light.

Then to side with truth is noble,  
When we share her wretched crust,  
Ere her cause bring fame and profit,  
And 'tis prosperous to be just  
Then it is the brave man chooses,  
While the coward stands aside  
Till the multitude make virtue  
Of the faith they had denied.

By the light of burning martyrs  
Jesus' bleeding feet I track,  
Toiling up new Calvaires ever  
With the cross that turns not back;  
New occasions teach new duties,  
Time makes ancient good uncouth;  
They must upward still and onward,  
Who would keep abreast of truth.

Though the cause of evil prosper,  
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;  
Though her portion be the scaffold,  
And upon the throne be wrong,  
Yet that scaffold sways the future,  
And, behind the dim unknown,  
Standeth God within the shadow  
Keeping watch above his own. *Amen.*

# The Order of the Holy Communion

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## THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed thy flock; Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer the godly Discipline thereof; and grant to the people, that they may obediently follow the same; that all may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## THE EPISTLE

Acts xx, 17

FROM Miletus Paul sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews: and how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there: save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus,

to testify the gospel of the grace of God. And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. John xxi, 15

JESUS saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

## THE NICENE CREED

HYMN

YE watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright seraphs, cherubim and thrones,  
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!  
Cry out dominions, princedoms, powers,  
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,  
More glorious than the seraphim,  
Lead their praises, Alleluia!  
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,  
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
All saints triumphant, raise the song,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
To God, the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

THE SERMON

¶ The Sermon being ended, the Elected Bishop, vested with his Rochet, shall be presented by two Bishops of this Church unto the Presiding Bishop, or to the Bishop appointed, sitting in his chair, near the Holy Table; the Bishops who present him saying,

R EVEREND Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well-learned man, to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

¶ Then shall the Presiding Bishop demand Testimonials of the person presented for Consecration, and shall cause them to be read.

¶ He shall then require of him the following Promise of Conformity to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

IN the Name of God, Amen. I, Oliver James Hart, chosen Bishop Coadjutor of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, do promise conformity and obedience to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ Then the Presiding Bishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them:

B RETHREN, it is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, that our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he chose and sent forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also, that the holy Apostles prayed before they ordained Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve. Let us, therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ, and his Apostles, offer up our prayers to Almighty God, before we admit and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

¶ Then shall be said The Litany.

**O** GOD the Father,  
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son,  
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost,  
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Trinity, One God,  
Have mercy upon us.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord; and that it may please thee to grant peace to the whole world, and to thy Church;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to sanctify and bless thy holy Church throughout the world;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with love of thee and of thy truth;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to endue all Ministers of thy Church with devotion to thy glory and to the salvation of souls;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the Office whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise, and glory of thy Name;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to guide by thy indwelling Spirit those whom thou dost call to the Ministry of thy Church, that they may go forward with courage and persevere unto the end;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to increase the number of the Ministers of thy Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all people;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to hasten the fulfilment of thy purpose that thy Church may be one;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that we, with all thy saints, may be partakers of thy everlasting kingdom;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O** UR FATHER, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

*Minister.* Hearken unto our voice, O Lord, when we cry unto thee;

*Answer.* Have mercy upon us and hear us.

*Minister.* O Lord, arise, help us;

*Answer.* And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

*Minister.* Let thy Priests be clothed with righteousness;

*Answer.* And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

*Minister.* Lord, hear our prayer;

*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, who dost ever hallow and protect thy Church; Raise up therein, through thy Spirit, good and faithful stewards of the mysteries of Christ, that by their ministry and example thy people may abide in thy favour and be guided in the way of truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall be said this Prayer following.

**A**LMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church; Mercifully behold this thy servant, now called to the Work and Ministry of a Bishop; and so replenish him with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that, both by word and deed, he may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Then, the People being seated, the Presiding Bishop, sitting in his chair, shall say to him that is to be Consecrated,

**B**ROTHER, forasmuch as the Holy Scripture and the ancient Canons command, that we should not be hasty in laying on hands, and admitting any person to Government in the Church of Christ, which he hath purchased with no less price than the effusion of his own blood; before we admit you to this Administration, we will examine you in certain Articles, to the end that the Congregation present may have a trial, and bear witness, how you are minded to behave yourself in the Church of God.

**A**RE you persuaded that you are truly called to this Ministration, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church?

*Answer.* I am so persuaded.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**A**RE you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the same Holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge; and to teach or maintain nothing, as necessary to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same?

*Answer.* I am so persuaded, and determined, by God's grace.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**W**ILL you then faithfully exercise yourself in the Holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer for the true understanding of the same; so that you may be able by them to teach and exhort with wholesome Doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainsayers?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**A**RE you ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word; and both privately and openly to call upon and encourage others to the same?

*Answer.* I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**W**ILL you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world; that you may show yourself in all things an example of good works unto others, that the adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you?

*Answer.* I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**W**ILL you maintain and set forward, as much as shall lie in you, quietness, love, and peace among all men; and diligently exercise such discipline as by the authority of God's Word, and by the order of this Church, is committed to you?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**W**ILL you be faithful in Ordaining, sending, or laying hands upon others?

*Answer.* I will so be, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop*

**W**ILL you show yourself gentle, and be merciful for Christ's sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help?

*Answer.* I will so show myself, by God's help.

¶ Then the Presiding Bishop, standing up, shall say,

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that, he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, you may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

JESUS calls us; o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless sea,  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
Saying, "Christian, follow me":

As of old, Saint Andrew heard it  
By the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home, and toil, and kindred,  
Leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store;  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"That we love him more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Saviour, make us hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thine obedience,  
Serve and love thee best of all. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall the Bishop-elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit, and shall kneel down; and Veni, Creator Spiritus shall be sung or said over him; the Bishop presiding shall begin, and the Bishops, and the others that are present, standing, shall answer by verses, as followeth.

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
*And lighten with celestial fire.*  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above,  
*Is comfort, life, and fire of love.*  
Enable with perpetual light  
*The dulness of our blinded sight.*

Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
*With the abundance of thy grace.*  
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
*Where thou art guide, no ill can come.*

Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
*And thee, of both, to be but One;*  
That, through the ages all along,  
*This may be our endless song:*  
Praise to thy eternal merit,  
*Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

¶ That ended, the Presiding Bishop shall say,

Lord, hear our prayer.  
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, and most merciful Father, who, of thine infinite goodness, hast given thy only and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after that he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and making perfect his Church; Grant, we beseech thee, to this thy servant, such grace, that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad thy Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee; and use the authority given him, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help: so that, as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Presiding Bishop and Bishops present shall lay their Hands upon the Head of the Elected Bishop, kneeling before them, the Presiding Bishop saying,

**R**ECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God, which is given thee by this Imposition of our hands; for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

¶ Then the Presiding Bishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying,

**G**IVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men; for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy; that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then the Presiding Bishop shall proceed in the Communion Service; with whom the new Consecrated Bishop, with others, shall also communicate.

#### OFFERTORY

¶ The offering will be for General Missions.

ANTHEM—"Greater Love Hath No Man".....*John Ireland*

Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

SANCTUS ..... *Charles Gounod*

**A**ND now, O Father, mindful of the love That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, And having with us him that pleads above, We here present, we here spread forth to thee, That only offering perfect in thine eyes, The one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

And then for those, our dearest and our best, By this prevailing presence we appeal; O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast! O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal! From tainting mischief keep them white and clear, And crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

¶ And for the last Collect, immediately before the Benediction, shall be said this Prayer.

**M**OST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing; and so endue him with thy Holy Spirit, that he, preaching thy Word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke, with all patience and doctrine; but also may be, to such as believe, a wholesome example in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in purity; that, faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter day he may receive the crown of righteousness, laid up by the Lord, the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth one God with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

**T**HE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## Recessional

**G**OD of the prophets! Bless the prophets' sons:  
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast;  
Each age its solemn task may claim but once:  
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last!

Anoint them prophets! Make their ears attent  
To thy divinest speech; their hearts awake  
To human need; their lips make eloquent  
To assure the right, and every evil break.

Anoint them priests! Strong intercessors they  
For pardon, and for charity and peace!  
Ah, if with them the world might pass, astray,  
Into the dear Christ's life of sacrifice!

Anoint them kings! Aye, kingly kings, O Lord!  
Anoint them with the Spirit of thy Son:  
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a blood-stained sword;  
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.

Make them apostles! Heralds of thy cross,  
Forth may they go to tell all realms thy grace:  
Inspired of thee, may they count all but loss,  
And stand at last with joy before thy face.

**O** mighty age of prophet-kings, return!  
O truth, O faith, enrich our urgent time!  
Lord Jesus Christ, again with us sojourn:  
A weary world awaits thy reign sublime! *Amen.*

**L**EAD on, O King Eternal,  
The day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest  
Thy tents shall be our home:  
Through days of preparation  
Thy grace has made us strong,  
And now, O King Eternal,  
We lift our battle-song.

Lead on, O King Eternal,  
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper  
The sweet Amen of peace;  
For not with swords loud clashing,  
Nor roll of stirring drums,  
But deeds of love and mercy,  
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal:  
We follow, not with fears;  
For gladness breaks like morning  
Where'er thy face appears;  
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;  
We journey in its light:  
The crown awaits the conquest;  
Lead on, O God of might. *Amen.*

